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47th Annual Governor's Business Development Conference

Missouri Economic Development Council's Spring Conference

June 1-3, 2005

The Lodge of Four Seasons Lake of the Ozarks





2005 MEDC Spring Conference

Wednesday, June 1, 2005

Awards Luncheon

1:45 p.m. Best Practices for Economic Development Organizations

Speaker: Irv Jensen, Smart Solutions Group, Des Moines, Iowa

3:15 p.m. **BREAK**

3:30-4:30 p.m. **URBAN** Roundtable

RURAL Roundtable

5:00 p.m. Reception

6:00 p.m. Casino Dinner Party

Casino Gaming from 7-9 p.m.

Prize Drawing - 9 p.m. MEDC Hospitality Suite



Thursday, June 2, 2005

9:30-midnight

Full Buffet Breakfast and District Caucuses 7:45 a.m.

8:45 a.m. **Annual Business Meeting**

Elect officers for the organization, vote on bylaws change

and learn about MEDC

10:00 a.m. **BREAK**

10:15 a.m. How Communities are Using Missouri LocationOne as an

Effective Marketing Tool

11:45 a.m. **ADJOURN**

MEDC EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

The Spring Conference lineup includes the following sessions.

• Best Practices for Economic Development Organizations

Speaker: Irv Jensen, Smart Solutions Group, Des Moines, Iowa

Overview – Economic development is a highly competitive business. Thousands of economic development organizations throughout the country are competing for just a few hundred new investments each year. As a result of this competitive environment, development groups in communities of all sizes are forced to compete more aggressively and innovatively to attract and retain business investments. A benchmark study was conducted by the Smart Solutions Group to identify "best practices" and "innovative trends" among successful economic development organizations in communities with less than 15,000 population. This session will reveal the results of the study and will demonstrate that successful programs were guided by best practices.

• How Communities are Using Missouri LocationOne as an Effective **Marketing Tool**

Speakers: Tom Lesnick, St. Joseph (Urban); Jane Hood, Mt. Vernon (Rural); Lori Becklenberg, MODED (State)

Overview – Some communities have taken Missouri LocationOne to the next level by using it to effectively market their community. Learn how these organizations are using the tool and the successes they have garnered from these activities. You will also hear from the Missouri Department of Economic Development on how they are utilizing Missouri LocationOne and how they are responding to businesses and consultants requesting site and building information.

• Rural and Urban Roundtables – Receive up-to-date information, discuss concerns and challenges, network with fellow professionals across the state.

MEDC SPECIAL EVENTS

Other activities include the district caucus meetings, annual business meeting and election of officers, awards luncheon and casino party. Members and non-members are encouraged to attend!

Governor's Business Development Conference

Tentative Agenda

Thursday, June 2, 2005

12:00-2:00 p.m. Opening Keynote Luncheon

Herb Cohen, motivational speaker, negotiator and best-selling

author of You Can Negotiate Anything

2:00-2:45 p.m. Town Hall Meeting

Greg Steinhoff, director, Department of Economic Development

2:45-3:00 p.m.

3:00-4:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Track One: "Development Financing: Navigating the Course

Through Statutory Authorities" Track Two: "Labor Studies"

Track Three: "Putting Your Best Foot Forward With

Public Relations and Research"

4:30-4:45 p.m.

General Session (Legislative Update) 4:45-5:45 p.m.

6:00-9:00 p.m. **Evening Reception**

Friday, June 3, 2005

7:30-8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00-10:00 a.m. General Session: Sparking the Entrepreneurial Spirit

10:00-10:30 a.m. Break

10:30-11:30 a.m. Panel Discussion: Missouri Industry Spotlight

12:00-2:00 p.m. Governor's Awards Luncheon

General Session: Sparking the Entrepreneurial Spirit

Frequently the help that budding entrepreneurs need to develop a successful business is right at their fingertips, if only they knew what support was available. At this panel discussion, several of Missouri's experts on entrepreneurship will share tips on what works and how you can start your own business. They will share some proven approaches, the importance of networking and how to overcome obstacles.

Panel Discussion: Missouri Industry Spotlight

Hear more about some of Missouri's top industries from leaders in the field! This session will offer first-hand accounts from some of the state's best in the areas of information technology, biotechnology and manufacturing. Learn why the company or organization has chosen to remain and expand in Missouri, what factors have led to their success, what advice they'd give to other budding companies and how they see the future of the business landscape in the Show-Me State.

Keynote Luncheon, Thursday, June 2 Herb Cohen, Negotiator

Considered the world's greatest dealmaker, Herb Cohen has been a practicing negotiator for the past four decades, intimately involved in some of the world's headline dramas from hostile corporate takeovers

to hostage negotiations. As a result of his extensive experience and unique presentation style, Cohen is internationally renowned as someone who can articulate and explain the complexities of selling and negotiations.

While serving as an advisor to Presidents Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan on combating terrorism, Cohen was involved in the Iranian hostage crisis and credited with helping shape the U.S. government's response to the hijacking of TWA Flight 847. More recently, the White House has sought his input and advice on a myriad of problems from domestic political strategy to the plague of international terrorism. With his classic bestseller, You Can Negotiate Anything, Cohen has provided crucial negotiating tools to millions of people. Bringing his vast knowledge and unique negotiating experiences to the podium, Cohen teaches audiences powerful yet subtle negotiating techniques to help in every business, career or relationship. With humor and dramatic flair, he presents serious situations in an entertaining and useful way.

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